



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Examiner: Laura Estelle Edwards

Cameron Kerrigan

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Title: COUPLING DEVICE FOR A STENT SUPPORT FIXTURE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Examiner Edwards:

This is a Response to the Office Action mailed on September 15, 2004, which had a shortened statutory time to reply that ended on December 15, 2004. The enclosed petition requests a one month extension of time, extending the period to respond to January 18, 2005.